

REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are pending in the present application. Independent claims 1, 6, and 9 and dependent claims 3 and 11 have been amended. Support for the amendments may be found between line 17 on page 21 and line 2 on page 23 of the Patent Application. No new matter has been added.

In the Office Action, claims 1-13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by Maggenti, et al (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0094831). The Examiner's rejections are respectfully traversed.

Independent claims 1 and 9 set forth, among other things, paging a dormant mobile station in response to receiving a request from a first mobile station to transmit a message to the dormant mobile station and receiving a page response signal from the dormant mobile station. Independent claims 1 and 9 also set forth providing an indication-to-speak to the first mobile station in response to receiving a page-event indication from a mobility data network. The page-event indication is formed by the mobility data network based on the page response signal. Independent claim 6 sets forth delivering a request to transmit a message to the mobile station via a mobility data network and receiving a page-event indication-to-speak from the mobility data network. The page-event indication is formed by the mobility data network based on a page response signal received from the mobile station.

Maggenti describes techniques for managing dormant nets of communication devices. Maggenti describes transmitting conventional PoC messages such as "are you there" AYT messages to determine whether communication devices are reachable. Communication devices may respond with a subsequent "I am here" IAH response message to indicate that they are available for receiving transmissions over traffic channels. See Maggenti, paragraphs [0175-

0178]. Maggenti also describes a conventional unconfirmed indication in which the wireless network provides an indication to the requesting mobile station that one or more destination mobile stations are ready to receive media before signaling at least one destination user to verify it can accept an incoming PoC call. For example, a server 252 may signal the registered communication devices using "are you there" AYT messages after a floor-control request has been granted to another communication device. See Maggenti, paragraph [0194].

However, Maggenti does not describe or suggest providing an indication-to-speak to a mobile station in response to receiving a page-event indication that is formed by a mobility data network based on a page response signal, as set forth in the pending claims. To the contrary, the only mention of paging messages in Maggenti is in the context of conventional point-to-point communications. In particular, Maggenti says that communication devices may be paged to initiate receipt of incoming point-to-point calls if the communication device is not active in a net. See Maggenti, paragraph [0252]. Thus, Maggenti only allows paging messages to be transmitted to the dormant mobile units if they are not available for PPT communications. Furthermore, Maggenti fails to teach or suggest providing the indication-to-speak concurrently with establishing a connection to the dormant mobile unit, as set forth in claims 3 and 11.

For at least the aforementioned reasons, Applicants respectfully submit that the present invention is not anticipated by Maggenti and request that the Examiner's rejections of claims 1-13 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) be withdrawn.

For the aforementioned reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all claims pending in the present application are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (713) 934-4052 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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